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ABSTRACT

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Based on ephemeris data between 1964 and 1969, free flights from earth to moon are investigated by representative examples as to the relationships between injection conditions and periselenum conditions. Emphasis is placed on injection conditions that are compatible with due east launch from Atlantic Missile Range by means of Saturn class vehicles.

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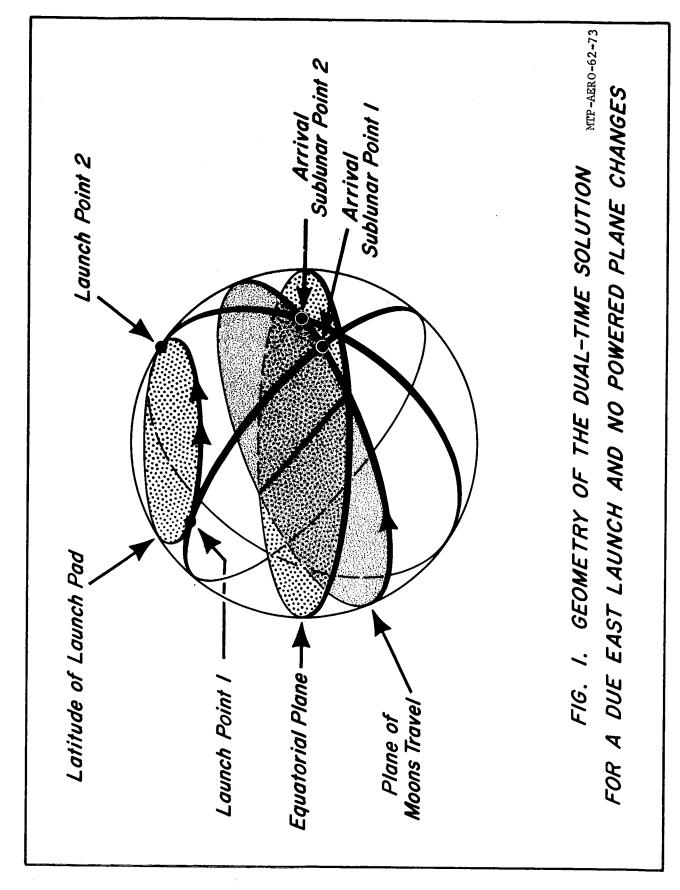
SYMBOLS AND DEFINITIONS

Symbol	<u>Definition</u>
C ₃	Twice the total energy per unit mass, so called the "VIS VIVA" by some. Specifically, $C_3 = V^2 - 2 \frac{GM}{R}$, where V and R are referenced to some central body whose mass is denoted by M. The notations $C_{3\oplus}$, C_3 , and $C_{3\oplus}$ indicate that the central body is the earth, moon, and sun, respectively.
e	The eccentricity of the instantaneous two-body solution. Subscripts may be used as discussed for \mathcal{C}_3 .
ⁱ M	Instantaneous inclination of the lunar travel plane relative to the true earth equator of date.
$\Omega_{\mathbf{M}}$	"The longitude of the mean ascending node of the moon's orbit measured in the ecliptic from the mean equinox of date"; see [3] for more details.
(ρ, δ, α)	Geocentric spherical coordinates of a body where
	ρ is the radial distance,
	δ is declination (the angle measured in the meridian containing the body from the earth's equator to the body, positive being north and negative south),
	lpha is right ascension (the angle measured in the equatorial plane from vernal equinox to the meridian containing the body, positive eastward).
r	Radial distance
ø'	Geocentric latitude
λ	Greenwich referenced longitude, positive eastward.
(V*, V)	Velocity magnitude measured in a space-fixed and rotating system, respectively.
(Γ, γ)	Path angle referenced to the local horizontal plane, space-fixed and rotating, respectively.
(Σ, σ)	Local azimuth angle, space-fixed and rotating, respectively.

Symbol	<u>Definition</u>
h	Altitude
i	Inclination of a body's instantaneous plane of motion.
$\alpha_{_{\!N}}$	Right ascension of the ascending node of a body's instantaneous plane of motion.
	SUBSCRIPTS
⊕, €, ⊚	Denote the central body as the earth, moon, or sun, respectively.
N	Denotes conditions of the ascending node.
M	Denotes conditions of the moon.
S	Denotes "selenographic" conditions; see [3] for details.

UNUSUAL TERMS

- 1. FLIGHT TIME or TRIP TIME denotes the time from injection to arrival at periselenum.
- 2. <u>BALLISTIC TRANSIT</u> implies that travel from a geocentric parking orbit to periselenum is made with no powered plane changes. Launch time variations are used to position the parking orbit, and coast time and burning time variations are used to establish the injection into the transit plane. The final stage is controlled during burning by a technique designated by Jet Propulsion Laboratory as "Control from the Horizon."
- 3. <u>DUAL TIME SOLUTIONS</u> refers to the two trajectories that are possible for arriving at the moon at a <u>specified time</u>, subject to the following constraints:
 - a. Launch from Patrick Air Force Base at a due east azimuth.
 - b. Utilize a circular parking orbit.
 - c. Specify the TRIP TIME.
 - d. Require BALLISTIC TRANSIT.



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Figure 1 illustrates the geometry of the DUAL TIME SOLUTIONS but some pertinent details are not evident from the figure. Consider the infinity of parking orbit planes subject to the above constraints (all planes passing through earth's center and passing tangent to the injection latitude circle). Upon placing the moon, considered as a point, at some position in the volume swept out by this infinity of plane, one sees that, in general, two of these planes pass through the moon. Along the extremities (circular cones) of the volume swept out there is only one plane which passes through a given point. Thus, in general, one suspects that two trajectories are available for earth to moon transit, subject to the discussed constraints.

Let us now examine the situation to see if one can actually establish the two suspected trajectories. Since arrival time and trip time are to be identical for the two solutions, injection must occur at the same time. The time interval from liftoff to parking orbit is the same in any two cases. The burning time required to achieve injection from the parking orbit is essentially the same in the two cases due to the fixed distance to the moon (same arrival time), and the fixed central travel angle (same trip time). These considerations allow the injection time equality,

$$T_{INJ} = T_{L_1} + \triangle t_{L,PO} + \triangle t_{C_1} + \triangle t_{PO,I} = T_{L_2} + \triangle t_{L,PO} + \triangle t_{C_2} + \triangle t_{PO,I}$$

to be reduced to

$$T_{L_1} + \Delta t_{C_1} = T_{L_2} + \Delta t_{C_2},$$

where T_L is liftoff time, $\triangle t_{L,PO}$ is time from liftoff to parking orbit, $\triangle t_{C}$ is coast time in parking orbit, and $\triangle t_{PO,I}$ is the time interval from parking orbit to injection.

Although T_{L_1} and T_{L_2} are not the same, they are fixed under the constraints, namely, that they result in two parking planes that contain the moon at arrival time. Finally then,

CONSTANT =
$$T_{L_1} - T_{L_2} = \triangle t_{C_2} - \triangle t_{C_1}$$
,

must hold if the two solution trajectories exist. Since Δt_{C_2} and Δt_{C_1} must be utilized to place injection such that the central travel angle constraint is satisfied, it would be mere chance that the $(T_{L_1} - T_{L_2})$ equality were satisfied simultaneously. It should be noted, however, that theoretically one solution could be determined for arrival at the specified time. Another could be established whose arrival time would be in error by a fractional part of the period of the parking orbit. With reference to these two solutions we define and use the term "DUAL TIME SOLUTIONS."

- 4. ARRIVAL CONIC denotes the instantaneous two-body solution at arrival time with the moon as attracting body. The inclination and location of the conic is of primary interest in this report when referenced to the selenographic coordinate system. This system is discussed in [3].
- 5. $\vec{B} \cdot \vec{T}$ and $\vec{B} \cdot \vec{R}$ are operational scalars that are very useful in achieving various orientations of the arrival conic. A detailed discussion of these scalars is given in [7], but a brief generalized discussion is presented here.

The incoming asymptote of the selenocentric arrival conic is approximately parallel to the earth-moon line at arrival time. Denote a unit vector in the direction of the incoming asymptote as \bar{S} . The unit vector \bar{T} is constructed to lie in the EARTH-MOON travel plane normal to \bar{S} and positive toward the trailing edge of the moon. \bar{R} is also normal to \bar{S} and is given by $\bar{S} \times \bar{T}$. We see then that the plane defined by \bar{R} and \bar{T} is normal to \bar{S} . A vector \bar{B} , which is a function of the characteristics of the selenocentric arrival conic, lies in the \bar{R} \bar{T} plane and is called the "impact parameter." The magnitude of \bar{B} , $|\bar{B}|$, is related to close approach distance, R_{CA} , through the equation

$$|\bar{B}| = \sqrt{R_{CA}}(2|a| + R_{CA})$$

where |a| is the magnitude of the semimajor axis of the arrival conic. One can see then that by specifying the desired projections of \bar{B} onto \bar{R} and \bar{T} , $\bar{B} \cdot \bar{T}$ and $\bar{B} \cdot \bar{R}$, it is possible to survey the arrival conic orientation about \bar{S} for a given $|\bar{B}|$ or close approach distance.

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SUMMARY

The objective of this report is to provide accurately determined bounds for the effects of various parameters on departure velocity, periselenum arrival velocity, and the selenocentric arrival conic orientations. The various topics usually arise as questions closely akin to those set forth in the following. Answers to the questions presented are included and are the result of this study.

- 1. How much do <u>departure velocity</u> requirements change due to variations of the arrival earth-moon ephemeris and trip time variations in the 66 hour to 90 hour range? For arriving at the moon when it is at any position, the departure velocity requirements change is bounded by:
 - a. 35(m/s) for flights of 66 hours
 - b. 22(m/s) for flights of 78 hours
 - c. 20(m/s) for flights of 90 hours.

The overall bound for all arrival ephemeris variations and all trip times in the 66 to 90 hour range is 55(m/s). These bounds are determined by projecting all injection conditions (which occurred at slightly varied altitudes) to a mean radius of 6770(km).

- 2. How much do departure velocity requirements change with different trajectory approach paths such as direct, retrograde, or polar approaches? The complete range of possible approach paths can only change the departure velocity by about 4(m/s).
- 3. What effect does varying the selenocentric arrival altitude have on <u>departure conditions</u>? Essentially NONE! The injection conditions,

position vector and velocity vector, are essentially invariant for arrival altitude changes in the 50(km) to 500(km) altitude range (approach path being frozen).

4. How does <u>arrival</u> <u>velocity</u> vary due to changes in arrival altitude?

$$\frac{\partial \text{ (ARRIVAL VELOCITY)}}{\partial \text{ (ARRIVAL ALTITUDE)}} \approx -1 \text{ (m/s/n.m.)} \approx -.54 \text{ (m/s/km)}$$

- 5. How much does <u>arrival velocity</u> change for various combinations of arrival time (earth-moon positions) and trip times?
 - a. The effect of all combinations of arrival times and trip times in the 66 to 90 hour range is bounded by 200(m/s).
 - b. For trip time frozen at 66 hours, the varying earth-moon ephemeris effect is bounded by $105 \, (\text{m/s})$, at 78 hours the bound is $70 \, (\text{m/s})$, and at 90 hours the bound is $55 \, (\text{m/s})$.
 - 6. The arrival velocity magnitude varies by about 10(m/s) for the various approach paths when arrival altitude and flight time are held constant.

In the following, inclination refers to the inclination of the arrival conic relative to the moon's equator. All the following results are for flights making no powered plane changes and having 66 hour trip time.

- 7. There are inclinations in the neighborhood of 0° and 180° that cannot be established for any arbitrary arrival time.
- 8. For retrograde flights (those arriving counter to or against the moon's motion, i.e., those having inclinations greater than 90°) the unattainable inclination area around 180° is bounded by about 7°.
- 9. Generally speaking, when the moon is at its maximum or minimum declination, the unattainable inclination area around 180° shrinks to less than 1° . When the moon is near zero declination, the unattainable area peaks at about 7° .

The basic trajectory data for this study were generated using a space flight program that was obtained from Jet Propulsion Laboratory. To our knowledge, this program is as accurate as any available to NASA installations.

SECTION I. INTRODUCTION

The establishment of optimum or near optimum techniques for performing various lunar missions is a current, pressing problem. Upon the introduction of optimization concepts for performing such missions, the effects of various parameters that have been considered insignificant outside the realm of optimization must be evaluated. Further, care must be exercised that simplifying assumptions and numerical inaccuracies are tolerable. Working in accordance with these views, it has been impossible to use some apparently relevant results from different works because insufficient information was available as to their accuracy.

The objective of this publication is to establish bounds for a few of the parameters of the problem, and to furnish some information for "Trade-off" considerations to serve as basis for choosing one technique rather than another.

SECTION II. CONSTRAINTS AND IMPLEMENTS OF THE STUDY

The trajectory simulations were performed on an IBM 7090 Space Flight Program which was obtained from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. The program includes the effects of the oblate earth, sun, triaxial moon, and Jupiter. A comprehensive discussion of the program is presented in Reference 1*. The various geophysical, astronomical, and operational constants required by the program are discussed in [1] and [4]. The constants used in this study are those currently in use at Jet Propulsion Laboratory, according to [1] and [4].

The numerical errors incurred by the computational procedures are well controlled. Reference 5 indicates that such error in periselenum arrival position is not more than 100 meters. Information, again from [5], on periselenum arrival velocity is vague, but indications are that the numerical error is in the seventh digit.

This study is concerned with the flight phase from a geocentric circular parking orbit to arrival at periselenum.

SECTION III. COMMENTS ON SOME CHARACTERISTICS OF THE MOON'S MOTION

References 2 and 3 present a great deal of information about the moon's motion. Reference 2 presents, primarily, graphical information. Reference 3 gives explanatory discussions and the derivation of some equations of interest.

^{*}References will be denoted by "Reference numbers" or bracketed [] numbers in the text and refer to specific entries in the table of references in this report.

Extracting from Reference 2, the following information is restated here since it has direct influence upon some phases of this study:

- 1. The geocentric radial distance to the moon at its . . .
 - a. Apogees varies by about .4 earth radius or 2550 (km)
 - b. Perigees varies by about 2 earth radii or 12750 (km).

The conversion to kilometers is made assuming an earth radius to equal $6370 \, (km)$.

2. The times at which absolute perigees or "local-minimum-distance" perigees occur from a sequence, (T_i) , such that as $i = 1, 2 \dots n$,

$$(T_1 = T_0 + 7^{M_0}, T_2 = T_1 + 8^{M_0}, T_3 = T_2 + 7^{M_0}, T_4 = T_3 + 8^{M_0}, \dots,$$

$$T_n = T_{n-1} + (8)^{Mo}$$

- 3. The graphs of lunar declination ($\delta_{\boldsymbol{c}}$) and geocentric radial distance ($\rho_{\boldsymbol{c}}$) versus date indicate that the $\delta_{\boldsymbol{c}}$ and $\rho_{\boldsymbol{c}}$ plots are ...
 - a. out-of-phase by about 180° in November 1964
 - b. out-of-phase by about 90° in October 1966
 - c. approximately in-phase in March 1969.
- 4. In March 1969, the declination of the moon takes on its maximum value, i.e., about 28.7°.
- 5. The ephemeris of the moon's motion relative to the earth is, for all practical purposes, periodic; the period is approximately 18.5 years.

IV. BOUNDS FOR THE EFFECT OF THE VARYING EARTH-MOON EPHEMERIS ON DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL VELOCITIES FOR VARIOUS TRIP TIMES

1. PROCEDURE

It is desirable to know just what differences are the result of performing a lunar mission at one time rather than another. The present objective is to set forth the differences which occur in departure and arrival velocities.

The cyclic nature of the moon's motion in about each eighteen and one-half years exhibits the following characteristics:

- ρ geocentric radial distance takes on essentially all possible values each seven or eight months.
- δ declination goes through a relative maximum to minimum cycle each month but takes on an absolute maximum and minimum in about eighteen and one-half years.
- α right ascension takes on all possible values once each month.

A sampling of the earth-moon ephemeris is desired that will result in the indicated bounds on departure and arrival velocities. This sampling was taken to be the ten cases whose characteristics are set forth in Table 1. The sampling ranges over about 99.4% of all possible values for $\rho,$ radial distance to the moon, but only the values of $\delta,$ declination of the moon, from about $\pm 24\,^\circ$ to $\pm 28.7\,^\circ.$ All possible phase combinations of ρ and δ are covered by the sampling.

As one might expect, the sampling taken is adequate to determine bounds for departure and arrival velocities. The lack of coverage in the δ range is of no consequence.

Actual trajectory surveys were made for arrival at the moon in the neighborhood of our ephemeris sampling. The TRIP TIME and ARRIVAL CONIC were specified for each trajectory. This was accomplished by specifying the desired trip time, B·T, and B·R (Reference 7) quantities, and searching for the combination of launch time, coasting time, and final stage burning time that resulted in the desired quantities.

TABLE 1

ARRIVAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE EARTH-MOON EPHEMERIS SAMPLING

	7 + re 0 C e C		Instantaneous	Ascending Node of Moon's	Moon's
	Radial Distance	Declination	Moon's Travel Plane	to Vernal Equinox in the	in the
Time	to the Moon	of the Moon	to Earth's Equator	Earth's	Ecliptic
MM, DD, YY; HH	$\rho_{ m M}$ (km)	$\delta_{ m M}$ (deg)	i _M (deg)	Equatorial Plane	Plane
Nov 10, 64; 08	404331 (~ APO)	-23.9 (~ MIN)	24.56	12.56	-275.29
Nov 22, 64; 05	360984 (~ PERI)	24.5 (~ MAX)	24.61	12.62	-275.91
Nov 30, 64; 03	394139	-5.1 (~ ZERO)	24.61	12.65	-276.33
Oct 7, 66; 07	380198	27.2 (~ MAX)	27.28	8.29	-312.14
Oct 13, 66; 18	359253 (~ PERI)	-3.0 (~ ZERO)	27.30	8.26	-312.48
Oct 20, 66; 08	391409	-27.0 (~ MIN)	27.33	8.31	-312.83
Oct 27, 66; 04	404193 (~ APO)	.4 (~ ZERO)	27.34	8.29	-313.19
Mar 12, 69; 20	369413 (~ PERI)	-27.9 (~ MIN)	28.72	.35	-359.14
Mar 18, 69; 18	381691	3.0 (~ ZERO)	28.72	.34	-359.45
Mar 26, 69; 20	403566 (~ APO)	27.5 (~ MAX)	28.72	.34	-359.88

2. RESULTS

A. Effects of Various Arrival Patterns on Velocities

How much do the velocity requirements change with a change in the orientation of the arrival conic? This question arises quite frequently in terms of the feasibility of retrograde (opposite in direction to moon's motion), direct (with the moon's motion), or polar orbits.

Four trajectories are sufficient as basis for answering this question, each trajectory having a specified approach path. Figure 2 presents a selenocentric (moon-centered) plot of the arrival portion of two of these basic trajectories. The xy plane is coincident with the true equatorial plane of date, the x-axis being in the direction of the true equinox of date. This system shall be referred to as the "Seleno-centric True Ephemeris System of Date."

Table 2 lists pertinent departure and arrival conditions.

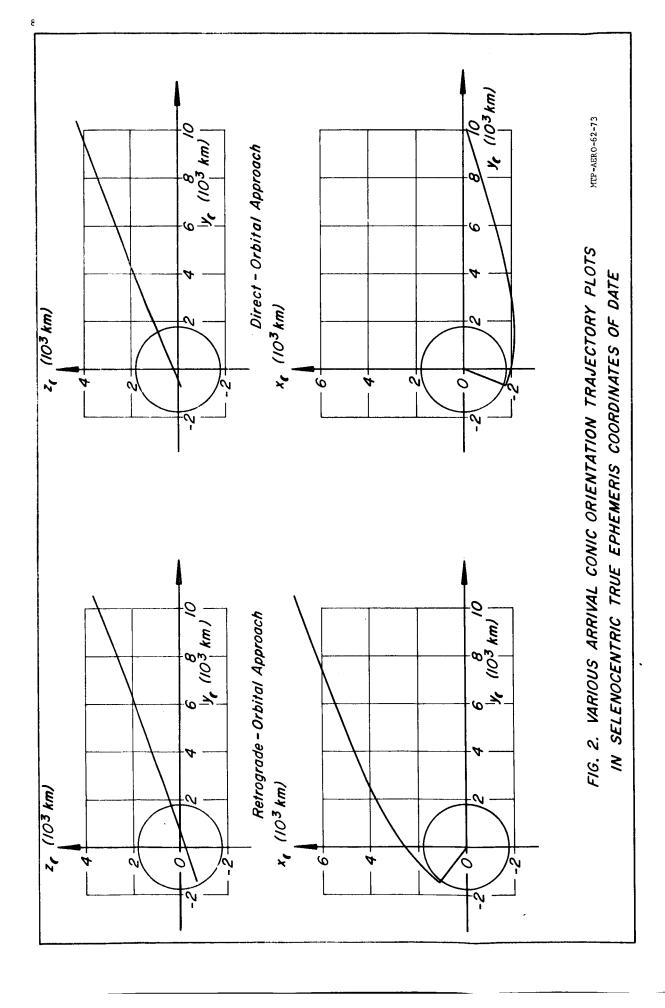
TABLE 2

DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL CONDITIONS FOR VARIOUS ARRIVAL CONIC ORIENTATIONS IN NOVEMBER 1964

Geocentric Departure Conditions East Inertial Path Radius Latitude Longitude Velocity Angle Arrival Path Azimuth V* (m/s) Γ (deg) r (km) Ø' (deg) λ (deg) Σ (deg) Identification 10788.4 6792.4 15.98 333.81 6.85 113.65 Retro - Orbital: I 6792.1 16.22 333.26 10784.5 6.84 113.49 Direct - Orbital: II 6792.0 15.28 335.34 10786.8 6.84 114.10 Polar - Over: III 6792.5 16.95 10786.4 331.60 6.85 112.98 Polar - Under: IV

Selenos	graphic [*]	Periselenu	n Arriva	l Conditio	ons 66 ^{hr}	Trip Time	
r _s (km)	\emptyset_s' (deg)	Longitude λ_s (deg)	V* (m/s)		Space- Fixed Azimuth $\Sigma_{ m S}({ m deg})$	' '	Arrival Path ID
1922.7	-3.42	190.12	2569.3	276.29	261.28	156.73	I
1897.2	7.01	87.78	2575.8	91.99	113.06	23.26	II
1910.1	53.63	147.55	2572.3	191.27	193.62	101,72	III
1909.3	-48.03	131.09	2572.8	98.96	33.16	78.33	IV

^{*}A detailed discussion of Selenographic coordinates is given in [3].



From the data presented in Table 2, one can conclude that -

- The changes in departure velocity magnitude due to various arrival paths are bounded by about 4 (m/s).
- By applying the partials relationship given on page 9 to the Vs and rs data of Table 2, one finds that the arrival velocity magnitude varies by about 10(m/s) for all variations in arrival conic orientations on trajectories having constant flight time and arrival altitude.

B. VELOCITY VARIATIONS DUE TO VARYING THE ARRIVAL ALTITUDE

The basic trajectory data needed here is presented in Table 3. Three trajectories were determined to arrive at essentially the same time, along the same arrival path (RETROGRADE - ORBITAL), and all having the same trip time, 66 hours. However, in each case arrival is at a different periselenum altitude.

TABLE 3 DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL CONDITIONS FOR ARRIVING AT VARIOUS PERISELENUM ALTITUDES VIA A FIXED ARRIVAL PATH IN OCTOBER, 1966

Geocentric Departure Conditions East Inertial Path

Radius r (km)	Latitude Ø' (deg)	Longitude λ (deg)	Velocity V (m/s)	Angle Γ (deg)	Azimuth Σ (deg)	Trajectory ID
6780.5	-6.06	14.28	10767.0	6.72	117.70	ALT - 1
6780.5	-6.07	14.29	10767.0	6.72	117.70	ALT - 2
6780.4	-6.07	14.30	10767.1	6.72	117.69	ALT - 3
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Radius r _s (km)	Altitude h (km)	Latitude Ø' (deg)	Longitude λ (deg)	Velocity V _s (m/s)	Azimuth σ _s (deg)	Trajec- tory ID
1865.8	127.8	9.25	177.25	2578.9	281.35	ALT - 1
1965.3	227.3	9.06	178.18	2527.1	281.49	ALT - 2
2069.7	331.7	8.87	179.12	2471.9	281.63	ALT - 3

The data of Table 3 emphasizes the fact that all arrival altitudes in the desired range of values require the same departure velocity vector. In fact the complete specification of departure position and velocity vectors is essentially invariant for all values of arrival altitude that come under present consideration, ranging from about 50 (km) to about 500 (km).

^{*}The Selenographic coordinate system is moon-centered and rotates such that one axis is always in the general direction of the earth; see [3] for details.

C. DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL VELOCITY BEHAVIOR FOR CHANGES IN ARRIVAL EARTH-MOON EPHEMERIS AND TRIP TIME

The trajectory data of this section was generated subject to the following constraints:

- a. Launch from Patrick AFB at a due east azimuth.
- b. A parking orbit is utilized.
- c. BALLISTIC TRANSIT is used.
- d. The arrival path is always retrograde to the moon's motion and essentially in the plane of earth-moon motion, so-called the RETROGRADE ORBITAL approach.

The velocity behavior is to be examined for variations in trip time and the earth-moon ephemeris at arrival (arrival time).

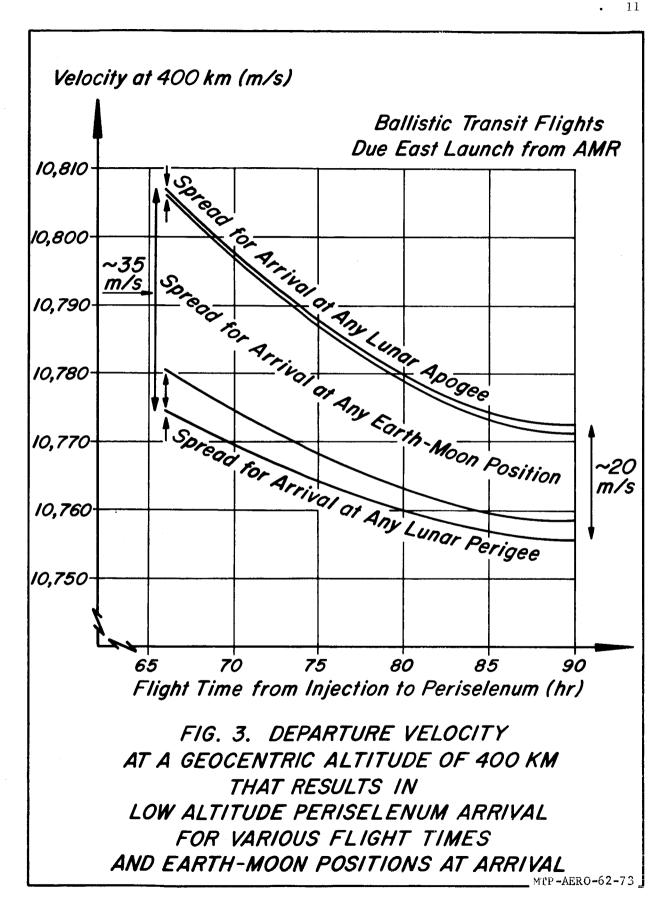
1. DEPARTURE VELOCITY

First, let us recall the results already established concerning departure velocity behavior:

- 1. The complete range of all possible arrival conic orientations causes the departure velocity to change by about 4 (m/s), Table 2.
- 2. The RETROGRADE ORBITAL approach region is the most expensive, i.e., these approaches require greater departure velocity than the other approach regions, Table 2.
- 3. Departure velocity is essentially independent of the periselenum arrival altitude in the altitude range of interest, from about 50 (km) to about 500 (km).

Figure 3 illustrates the departure velocity behavior for RETROGRADE ORBITAL approach paths (most expensive approach). One can conclude from Figure 3 that -

4. The departure velocity spread for arriving at any earthmoon ephemeris with trip times ranging from 66 hours through 90 hours is about 55 (m/s). For frozen flight times of (a) 66 hours the spread is about 35 (m/s), (b) 78 hours it is about 21 (m/s), and (c) 90 hours it is about 20 (m/s).



2. ARRIVAL VELOCITY

Figure 4 and Table 4 present the pertinent data for this discussion:

From the differences of Table 4, the effect on arrival velocity due to varying arrival periselenum altitude is seen to be about -1 (m/s) per nautical mile in altitude, i.e.,

$$\frac{\partial \text{ (ARRIVAL VELOCITY)}}{\partial \text{ (ARRIVAL ALTITUDE)}} \approx -1 \text{ (m/s/n.m.)} \approx -.54 \text{ (m/s/km)}$$

Figure 4 illustrates the bounds on the effects due to variations in trip time and positions of earth-moon ephemeris. Having established the partial relationship just mentioned, the following bounds for arrival velocity at any 50 (km) to 500 (km) arrival periselenum altitude may be stated:

Arrival velocity varies by less than 200 (m/s) for any combination of arrival earth-moon ephemeris and trip times in the 66 hour to 90 hour range. For specific trip times the bounds are (a) 105 (m/s) for 66 hour trips, (b) 70 (m/s) for 78 hour trips, and (c) 55 (m/s) for 90 hour trips.

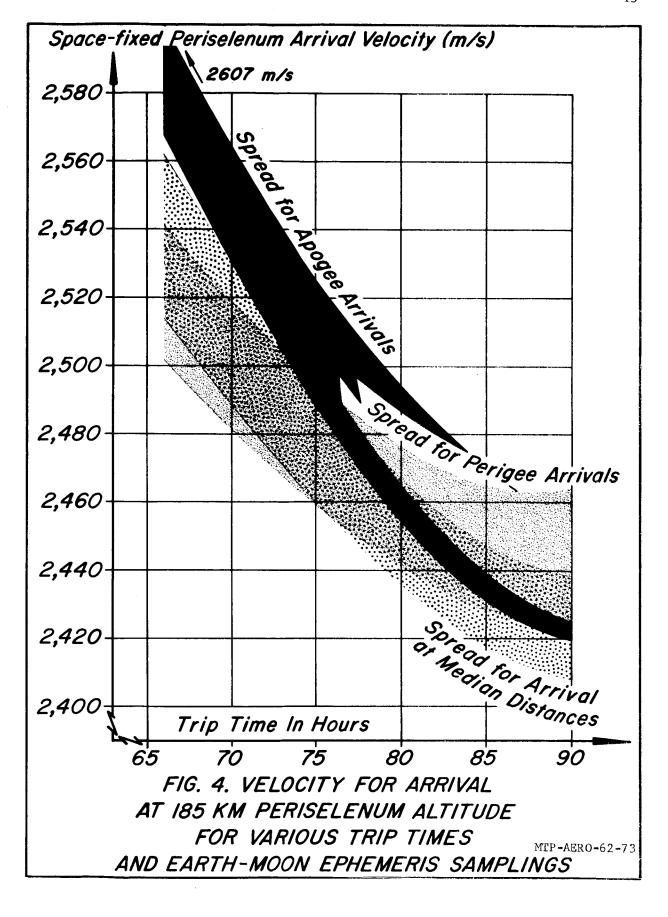


TABLE 4

SPACE-FIXED ARRIVAL VELOCITY FOR VARIOUS (1) PERISELENUM ARRIVAL ALTITUDES, (2) TRIP TIMES, AND (3) SAMPLINGS OF THE EARTH-MOON EPHEMERIS AT ARRIVAL

*			CD	SPACE-FIXED ARRIVAL VELOCITY IN (m/s)	AL VELOCITY I	(m/s)			
Arrival	-	Trin Time = 66	(HRS)	T	Trip Time = 78 (HRS)	(HRS)	ŢŢ	Trip Time = 90	(HRS)
MM, DD, YY	he=140(km)	=185 (km	hs=230(km)	h _S =140(km)	h _S =185(km)	h _S =230(km)	h _S =140(km)	h ₈ =185(km)	$h_S = 230 (km)$
	h _c = 75(n.m)	h_=100(n.m)	h _s =125(n.m)	h _s = 75(n.m)	h _s =100(n.m)	h _s =125(n.m)	$h_s = 75(n.m)$	h _S =100(n.m)	h _s =125(n.m)
	8 1		VELOCITIES] [2.		AR APOGEES			•
0	2598	2580	2562	2502	2478	2455	24525	2425, :5	2400
	2592	2569	2548	2496	2472	2448	5444	2420	2396
03, 26, 69	2592	2568	2544	2491	2467	2443	2446	2421	2398
			VELOCITY FOR AR	ARRIVAL AT SELECTED	TED LUNAR MEDIAN	AN DISTANCES			
ç	2586	2562	040	100	ı	2455	2463	2438	2414
10, 07, 66	2570	2546	2523	2489	2466	2442	2451	2425	2402
20,	2546	2521	2497	2473	2448	2424	2433	2408	2384
2 0	2537	2514	2492	2468	2445	2421	2439	2414	2390
			VELOCITIES	FOR ARRIVAL AT	SELECTED LUNAR	AR PERIGEES			
5	2526	2502	2480	_		2426	2450	2425	2400
17	2566	2541	2519	2506	2483	2459	2488	5464	2440
03, 12, 69	2541	2517	2494	2479	2454	2430	2447	2423	2399
			AVERAGE	E VELOCITIES FOR	R ARRIVAL AT				
Anogees	1 2594	2572	2551	2496	2472	2449	2447	2422	2398
Medians	2560	2536	2513	2483	2459	2436	2447	2421	2398
Perigees	2544	2520	2498	2486	2462	2438	7467	243/	2413,
		DIFFE	ENCES	IN ARRIVAL VELOCITY DUE	TO CHANGES IN	N ARRIVAL ALTITUDE		ŀ	
	V ₁₀₀	V ₇₅ V ₁₂₅	5 V 100	V ₁₀₀	- V ₇₅ V ₁₂₅	- V 100	, 100 T	. V ₇₅ V ₁₂₅	100
Αποσορια	-22		, –	-24		-23	-25		-26
Medians	-24		-23	-24		-23	-26	-	-27
Perigees	77-		77-	17-		1.7			

*See Table 1 for the characteristics of the Earth-Moon Ephemeris sampling.

SECTION V. BOUNDS FOR THE ATTAINABLE ARRIVAL CONIC ORIENTATIONS

For this discussion, the arrival conic orientation is taken relative to the moon's equator. More specifically, the orientation shall be specified by the inclination relative to the moon's equator, is, and the selenographic longitude of the ascending node, $\Omega_{\rm NS}$.

The establishment of bounds for the achievable arrival conic orientations subject to a given set of constraints is the principle objective of this section. At the same time some interesting characteristics of the arrival conic behavior will be mentioned.

1. PROCEDURE

The basic approach has been to survey the behavior of the arrival conic orientation subject to the constraints listed at the beginning of section IV-C, page 10, of this report. Two other arrival constraints are imposed for these results:

- 1. Trip time is required to be 66 hours.
- 2. Arrival altitude is held in the 100 (km) to 200 (km) range.

Operationally the described procedure is accomplished by specifying position and velocity vectors at the parking orbit initiation which satisfy the launch constraints, and searching for the launch time, coast time, and final stage burning time combination which results in the desired arrival constraints. The arrival constraints are formulated in terms of $\bar{B} \cdot \bar{T}$, $\bar{B} \cdot \bar{R}$, and flight time, T_{F} . The magnitude of the B vector, $|\bar{B}|$, controls arrival altitude and $\bar{B} \cdot \bar{T}$ and $\bar{B} \cdot \bar{R}$ combinations result in various conic orientations for a given magnitude of the miss vector, i.e., $|\bar{B}|$.

It should be recalled that there are TWO SOLUTIONS IN TIME (generally speaking) for arriving at the moon when it is in the proximity of some specified earth-moon position. During this phase of the study it became apparent that the two solutions behaved somewhat differently; hence, both branches of the "DUAL-TIME SOLUTION" are presented.

The three months represented in the EARTH-MOON EPHEMERIS SAMPLING whose characteristic data are presented in Table 2 are used as samplings for this phase of the study also.

2. RESULTS

The behavior of the departure and arrival conditions, as a survey of $\vec{B} \cdot \vec{T}$ and $\vec{B} \cdot \vec{R}$ combinations is made (for a given \vec{B} magnitude), is quite interesting. A tabulation of these data is presented in Tables 5 and 6. The data of Table 5 result from retrograde approach flights with polar approaches at the extremes of the survey. Table 6 data are from direct approach flights, the survey being terminated short of the polar extremes.

One can observe from the i_8 data of Tables 5 and 6 that arrival inclinations from about 174° to 180° (Table 5) as well as from about 0° to 18° (Table 6) are not attainable for that particular class of trajectories. Immediately questions begin coming to mind as to the reasons for the existence of such "DEAD INCLINATION AREAS," a term that shall be used to denote the unattainable areas, and the influence that various parameters have on their existence and behavior. This report does not deal exhaustively with these questions but does present some helpful results. The results are empirical in nature and no attempt is made to present any analytic evaluation of the problems.

A. The influence of the Varying Earth-Moon Ephemeris At Arrival

Four distinct sets of trajectories have been run, and, in view of the results to be presented, it is convenient to describe the sets as follows:

- a. Each set consists of trajectories resulting in the minimum attainable $i_{\rm S}$ for both branches of the DUALTIME SOLUTION as the arrival time is stepped through a specified era.
- b. In three of the four sets launch is from Patrick AFB at a due east azimuth resulting in a BALLISTIC TRANSIT plane inclined at about 28.3° to the earth's equator. In the other set, a fictitious launch site is assumed such that a due east launch results in a BALLISTIC TRANSIT plane inclined at about 24.4° to the earth's equator. This manipulation was done to produce two sets having the BALLISTIC TRANSIT plane near coplanar with the moon's travel plane.

TABLE 5

DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL CONDITIONS FOR VARIOUS RETROCRADE ARRIVAL CONIC ORIENTATIONS FIXED FIXED FLIGHT TIME OF 66^{hrs} , and fixed $|\vec{B}|$

					7	בה בהופווד	TALL FLIGHT LIME OF 00	AND F	, AND FIXED B				
MM, I	Laun,	Launch Time DD, HH, MIN,	ı, SEC	Coast Time Sec	Burn Time Sec	i Deg	OM Deg	ø' Deg	Deg	k _{II}	l Deg	Σ Deg	V* m/s
MM, D	Arrival DD, HH,	Arrival Time DD, HH, MIN,	e ', SEC	B·T (km)	B•R (km)	i Deg	Ons Deg	ø's Deg	λ _s Deg	h km	i⊕ (Deg)	σ _s Deg	V* s/=
11, 2	27, 07, 30, 0 3,	7, 57, 3, 17,	55.81 38.69	3840.94 0	366.98 -4081	28.294 88.605	15.839 -	15.359 53.530	200.839 141.072	407.19	6.938 110.993	65.943 177.653	10785.3
<u> </u>		ì											
11, 2	27, 07, 30, 03,	7, 56, 3, 16,	45.30	3850.64 -2769	367.09	28.293 131.044	15.544	15.626 38.623	201.423	407.51	6.942 151.877	66.110 237.190	10786.4 2603.8
L													
11, 2	27, 07, 30, 03,		55, 35.04 16, 32.36	3856.23 -3555	367.12 -1999	28.293 148.729	15.250 -47.037	15.779 26.587	201.757 188.457	407.65	6.943 166.018	66.207	10786.6
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11, 2	27, 07, 30, 03,	, 53, 3, 13,	24.89 21.55	3864.39 -4075	367.14 -200	28.293 172.620	14.706 -91.985	15.999 7.184	202.245 191.313	407.84 54.74	6.943 158.092	66.351 271.693	10786.8
11, 2	27, 07, 30, 03,	, 53,	53, 10.27 13, 07.80	3865.21 -4081	367.14 0	28.293 173.778	14.645 -113.781	16.021 5.103	202.293 191.220	407.86	6.943 155.682	66.365	10786.8
11, 2	27, 07, 30, 03,	, 52,	33.75 55.61	3867.17 -4049	367.14 499	28.293 171.750	14.492 -169.870	16.074	202.410 190.658	407.89	6.943 149.370	66.400	10786.7
	1	3		1 22 3738									
11, 3	30, 03,	03, 13,	01.60	3868.30 -4001	367.14	28.293 168.438	14.401 174.311	16.104 -3.186	202.477 190.100	407.91 53.34	6.943 145.420	66.420 281.120	10786.7
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11, 3	30, 03,	10,	47.85	-3560	2000	28.293 151.511	14.025 154.312	16.209 -15.913	202.712	407.96 54.20	6.942 128.211	66.490	10786.4
-		9	1000	55 /500	00 6/0								
11, 3	30, 03,	66,	31.89	-2767	367.09	28.293 133.841	13.706 148.826	16.275 -27.223	202.860 178.433	407.97	6.941 110.74	66.534 308.836	10786.0 2604.8
11, 30	27, 07, 30, 03,	, 47, , 08,	07, 47, 55.96 03, 08, 22.95	3873.89 1	366,98 4081	28.293 91.487	13.331 142.939	16.247 -41.396	202.798 144.250	407.81	6.937 69.017	66,515 358,018	10784.8 2609.9

TABLE 6

departure and arrival conditions for various direct arrival conic orientations texal prize of $66^{\rm hr\,s}$, and fixed $|\bar{B}|$

										,
Launch Time	Coast Time	Burn Time	.,,	č	Ø	~	ч	L 1	ы	· · ·
MM. DD. HH. MIN. SEC	Sec	Sec	Deg	Deg	Deg	Deg	km	Deg	Deg	m/s
Arrival Time			is	PNS	Ø	λs	y	. i.	αs	*s^
MM, DD, HH, MIN, SEC	B·T (km)	B.R (km)	Deg	Deg	Deg	Deg	km	(Deg)	Deg	m/s
11 27 21 55 10.23	746.23	367.07	28.30	225.97	-2.885	8.702	405.97	6.785	118.17	10785.5
11 30 16 22 58.04	۳.	-1999.76	31,42	343.51	30.52	88.76	154.89	54.39	114,46	2571.9
11, 20, 10, 11,										
11 27 21 55 37 55	742.45	367,065	28.30	226.08	-2.765	8,494	406.01 6.785	6.785	118.18	10785.4
11 30 16 23 13 39	3936.49	-999.79	18.92	4.772	18.806	88.13	154.20	40.38	101.17	2572.2
10, 23,	20000					1				
111 27 21 57 07.82	734.23	367.08	28.30	226.46	-2.506	8.004	406,13	406.13 6.7855	118,20	10785.4
11 30 16 24 44.21		1000.26	20.14	69.66	-2.685	92.34	156,26	18.73	82.42	2571.5
11 27 22 07 36.46	729.71	367,10	28,30	226.73	-2.364	7.798	406.22 6.786	982.9	118.21	10785.6
11. 30, 16, 26, 30,95	3535,59	1999.61	32.94	118.84	-13,35	97.36	158.43	17.70	73.21	2570.8
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1.6, 22, 10.28 1.6, 22, 58, 04 1.6, 22, 58, 04 1.6, 23, 15, 24 1.6, 24, 47, 21 1.6, 24, 47, 21 1.6, 24, 20, 15 1.6, 24, 20, 15

Transit Plane Inclination, i⊕	Moon's Travel Plane Inclination, i _{⊕M}	Arrival Time Era	Set Identification
2 4. 4°	24. 5°	Nov-Dec, 1964	Travel-Plane Transit (1)
28.3°	28.7°	Mar-Apr, 1969	Travel-Plane Transit (4)
28.3°	27.3°	Oct, 1966	Out-of-Plane Transit (1.0)
28.3°	24.5°	Nov-Dec, 1964	Out-of-Plane Transit (3.8)

c. The four sets are characterized as follows:

Figures 5 and 6 and Tables 7 through 10 present the data for the TRAVEL-PLANE TRANSIT CASES. Some results may be pointed out quite readily from Figures 5 and 6:

- 1. The DUAL-TIME SOLUTION separates into a high minimum inclination branch (peaks at about 13° to 14°) and a low minimum inclination branch (peaks at about 7°). However, one should observe that the high branch does on occasion drop to a lower declination than the so-called low branch.
- 2. Inclinations of near zero are attainable when the δ at arrival is near maximum or minimum. For arrival δ around zero, the minimum inclinations are in the peak regions; i.e., around 7° is the minimum that can be obtained.

In Tables 7-14, the data designated as $\triangle \alpha_{\Theta_N}$ represents the deviation of right ascension of the ascending node of the vehicle's transit conic (at injection) from the right ascension of the moon's travel plane at that time, i.e., $\triangle \alpha_{\Theta_N} = \alpha_{\Theta_N} - \alpha_{\Theta_N}$. From this then one can conclude that:

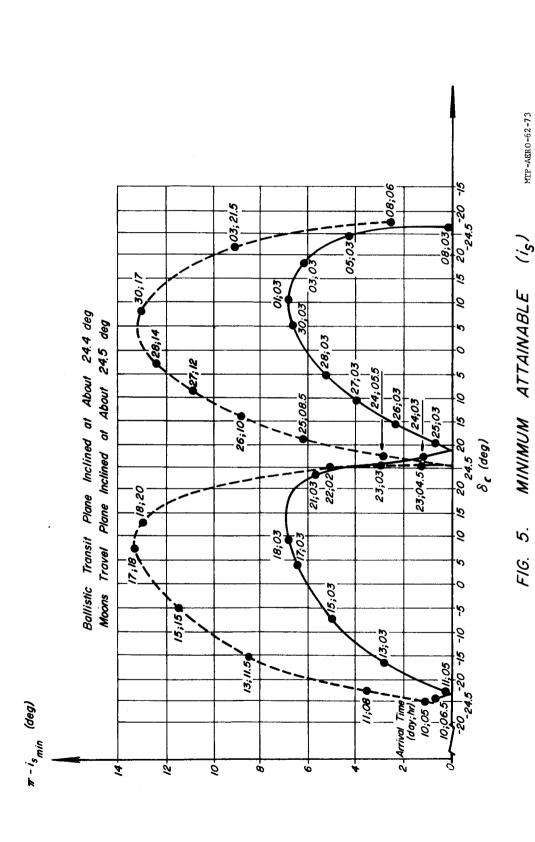
3. The branch having low peaks is a near coplanar solution whereas the branch having high peaks would be considered an out-of-plane solution.

Figures 7 and 8 and Tables 11 through 14 present the results for the two OUT-OF-PLANE TRANSIT CASES. Figures 7 and 8 and Tables 11 through 14 show that for these cases:

4. The DUAL-TIME SOLUTION does <u>not</u> separate (as in the TRAVEL-PLANE TRANSIT CASES) into a high and low inclination branch. Rather each branch has a high peak and a low peak, the peaks being in the 7° and 14° neighborhood.

In these cases as was pointed out for the two previous cases:

5. Inclinations near zero are attainable when the $\delta_{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}$ at arrival is near maximum or minimum. For arrival $\delta_{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}$ in the neighborhood of zero, the minimum inclinations are in the peak regions.



FOR THE DUAL-TIME SOLUTION AND VARIOUS ARRIVAL (S.) IN NOV - DEC, 1964

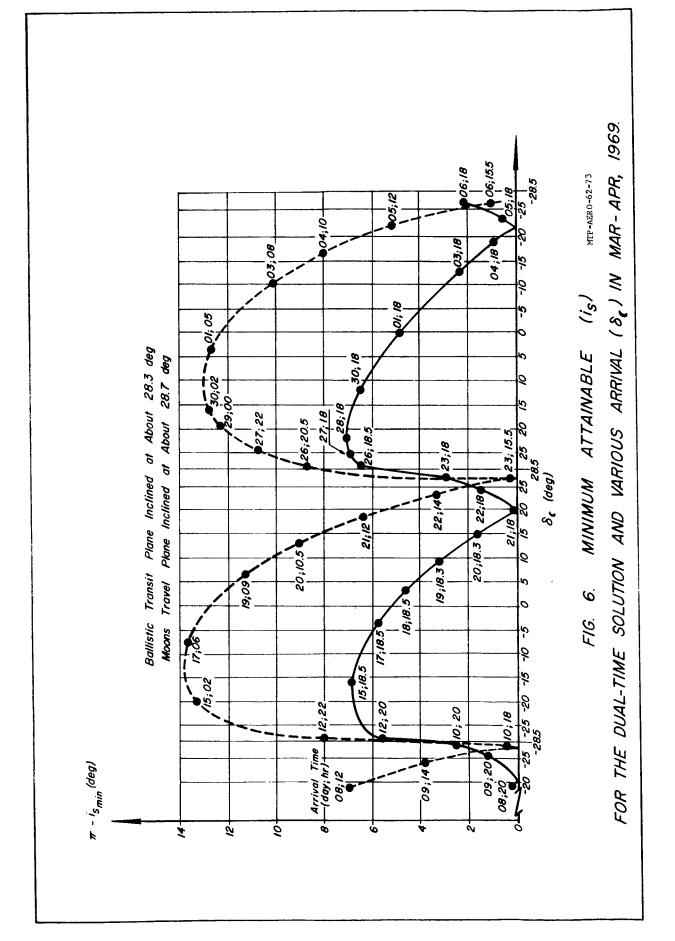


TABLE 7

 $1p_0 \approx 24.4^{\circ}$

ID: NEAR CO-PLANAR SOLUTION TIME OF SHRUEY: Nov-Dec 1964

*44	4				_		_	_	_	_	-			_		_	_			_			_	_
			3	(deg)	104.90	108.63	113,28	114.35	110.98	107.37	89.40	81.64	77.32	72.13	68,54	66.39	65.56	65.94	70.04	73.59	83.0Z	94.20	107.28	112.64
964 TIONS		α	(Xab)	141.56	153.37	175.34	198.03	222.67	236.36	283.41	299.71	315,99	330.93	344.93	358.07	10.59	22.76	47.05	59.52	85.41	111.80	149.36	171.39	
Nov-Dec 1964	DEPARTURE CONDITIONS	GEOCENTRIC	New	degy	13.13	12.82	12.66	12.60	12.54	12.50	11.97	9.13	13.95	13.06	12.84	12.75	12.71	12.68	12.61	12.56	12.36	11.61	13.49	12.99
1	DEPARTU	GEO	N9/OV	degy	0.5	0.2	0.1	0	-0.1	-0.1	9.0-	-3.5	1.4	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0	0	-0.2	-1.0	0.9	0.4
TIME OF SURVEY:			, Ø	(deg)	19.59	16.11	7.71	-2.47	-12.86	-17.49	-24.43	-23.04	-21.07	-16.96	-12.02	-6.58	-0.96	4.55	14.42	18.38	23.49	24.09	17.56	9.50
T		Ag.	(deg)	190.19	188.84	185.61	181.86	178.00	176.72	176.04	177.08	178.54	180.63	182.85	185.28	187.44	189.32	192.49	193,30	193,87	193.13	190.00	187.05	
			Ns'	(B/III)	2573.32	2574.43	2567.96	2547.67	2545.55	2534.13	2511.61	2507.35	2509.34	2503.24	2504.46	2504.50	2514.72	2529.29	2533.73	2545,64	2557.87	2565.10	2574.44	2575.51
		SELENOCENTRIC	18 1	(deg)	1.12	0.27	2.83	5.01	6,43	6.77	5.65	4.72	2.86	1.21	65.0	2.36	3.95	5.23	69.9	98.9	6.11	4.24	0.12	2.51
.5°			OS.	(deg)	270,76	269.75	267.99	266.40	265.47	265.41	266.07	266.72	267.97	269.11	270,47	271.67	272.65	273.58	274.79	274.79	274.31	273.17	270.09	268.12
$f_{\rm M} \approx 24.5^{\circ}$	CONDITIONS	SELEN	8,0	(deg)	0.81	-0.11	-1.99	-3.49	-4.57	-4.97	-4.06	-3.40	-2.01	-0.81	0.36	1.66	2.92	3.82	4.67	4.91	4.33	2.82	0.07	-1.66
			hs	(Km)	185.07	185.17	191.36	208.97	180.53	185.50	185.69	184.56	174.80	184.51	184,43	191,38	182.26	167.67	189.23	181,23	184,13	190.43	188,39	184,60
	ARRIVAI			DD, HK, MM)	10 04 44	1 04 42	13 03 07	5 03 06	17 03 04	18 03 04	21 03 02	22 02 51	23 03 09	24 03 05	25 03 05	26 03 04	27 03 03	28 03 03	30 03 01	01 03 00	03 02 58	05 02 53	08 02 58	10 01 22
				3					_		L		_	F	L	-	_	\vdash	-		H	-	L	L
75.5		90, T. D)	₹.	(km)	404,536	402,477	395,144	383,985	371,933	366,766	359,762	360,820	363,433	367,176	371,680	376,535	381,413	386,061	394,113	397,414	402,542	405,619	405,188	400,539
$\Omega_{\rm M} \approx -275.5$		SITION (F	Ψζ	(deg)	-24.08	-22.52	-16.67	-7.45	3.73	94.6	22.68	24.39	24.37	22.67	19.57	15.44	10.62	5.43	-5.11	-10.05	-18,36	-23.48	-23.28	-18.16
er	LUNAR POSITION (EQ. T.	Ψ̈́O,	(deg)	294.65	307.46	331.63	355.94	20.77	33.93	78.46	94.63	111.13	126.86	141,72	155,55	168.47	180.67	203.90	215.41	239.07	264.09	302.92	327.02	

TABLE 8

 $i_{po} \approx 24.4^{\circ}$ $i_{M} \approx 24.6^{\circ}$

 $\Omega_{\rm M} \approx - 275.5$

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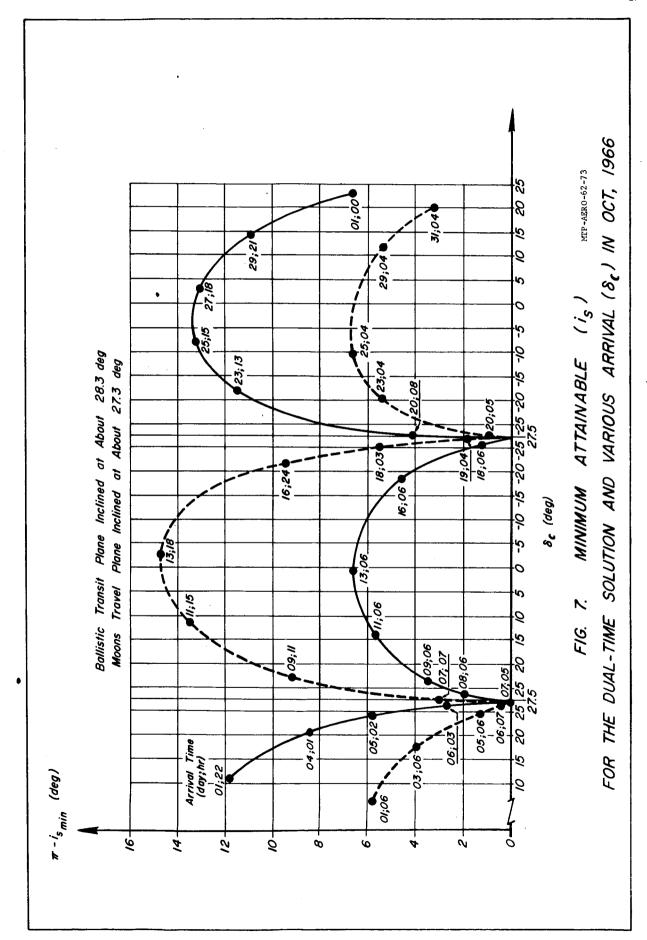
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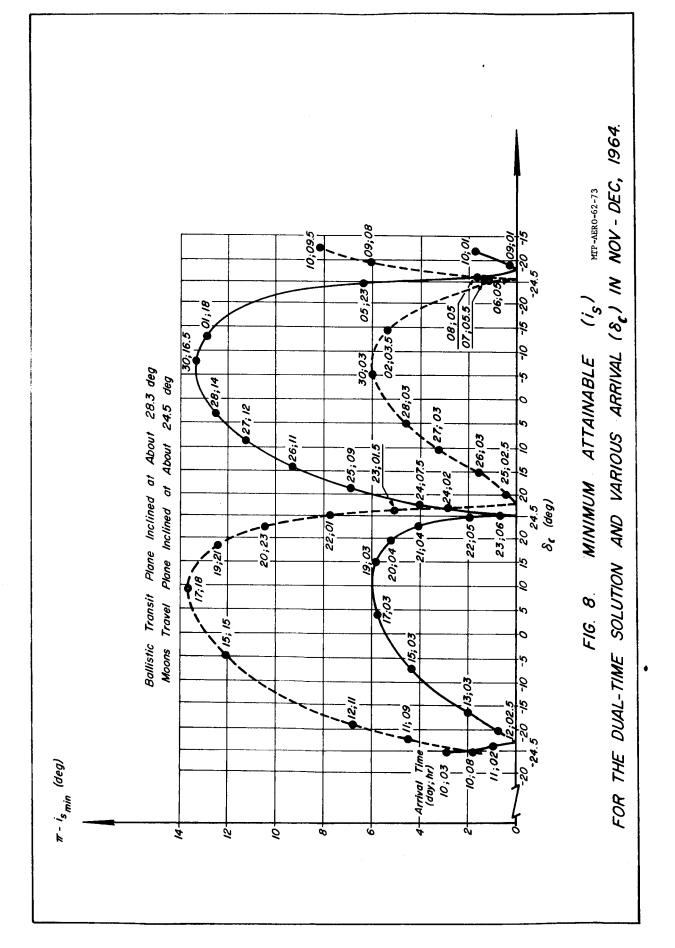
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		ω ;	(deg)	95.01	89.07	77.64	69.05	65.55	66.20	79.88	84.69	91.97	98.54	104.14	108.54	111.70	114.44	110.15	91.50
CONDITIONS		α	(deg)	143.26	156.44	180.57	203.90	229.96	245.08	299.37	317.38	334.38	349.63	3.40	16.21	28.53	53.24	94.04	151.95
	GEOCENTRIC	O.	(deg)	41.08	68.67	121.72	173.60	228.15	258.02	4.22	34.45	69.15	100.68	129.58	156.40	181.79	230.84	307.72	58.32
DEPARTURE	l)	N ⊕ O∇	(deg)	28.5	56.1	109.1	161.0	215.6	245.4	-8.4	21.9	9*95	88.1	117.0	143.8	169.2	218.2	295.1	45.7
		ø	(deg)	23.94	24.42	21.26	12.92	0.82	-5.82	-22.36	-23.88	-24.36	-22.98	-20.15	-16.23	-11.57	-1.09	14.15	24.39
		γs	(gap)	189.95	188.19	184.43	180.44	177.57	176.73	177.04	178,56	180.60	183.86	185.57	188.01	190.16	193.23	194.08	189.45
		Vs	(m/s)	2571.06	2580.24	2580.69	2583.41	2565.99	2551.30	2509.78	2505.08	2510.59	2470.63	2531.54	2542.60	2551.23	2564.94	2569.23	2580,39
	CI	is	(deg)	0,62	3.53	8,41	11.74	13.30	13.01	5.11	1.28	2.82	6.24	8.90	10.90	12.24	13.05	9.13	2.54
ONS	SELENOCENTRIC	σs	(deg)	269.62	267.55	264.20	261.67	260.66	260.81	266.02	269.08	271.99	274.42	276.40	277.68	278.62	278.95	276.47	268.19
ARRIVAL CONDITIONS	SEL	8,8	(deg).	-0.49	-2.54	-6.10	-8.31	-9.51	-9.25	-3.21	-0.88	2.00	18.14	6.20	7.75	8.72	9.53	6.46	-1.78
ARRIVAI		hs	(<u>I</u>	192.88	185.06	198.32	185.79	183.94	183.97	180.31	184.90	184.13	272.05	183.61	183.16	184.77	183.55	185.01	184.53
		Time	(DD, HR, MM)	10 06 29	11 08 12	13 11 29	15 14 41	17 18 03	18 19 54	22 02 32	23 04 26	24 06 36	25 08 34	26 10 22	27 12 01	28 13 35	30 16 36	03 21 21	08 05 46
	(EQ, T, D)	Æ	(km)	404,427	402,075		381,021	368,590	363,837	360,796	363,608	367,798	372,772	378,031	383,188	387,988	396,045	403,981	405,015
		Ψζ	(deg)	-24.00	-22.20	-15.27	-4.87	7.33	13.28	24.38	24.32	22.29	18.70	14.03	8.71	3.09	-7.95	-20.77	-23.07
	LUNAR POSITION	ð	(deg)	295.59	309.31	335.89	1.82	28.90	43.63	94.42	111.99	129.09	144.97	159.57	173.10	185.87	210.41	248.52	304.41

,			ы	(deg)	80.22	89.48	96.12	106.59	117.75	117,34	114.96	111.21	106.21	100.21	93.51	83.40	71.84	67.40	64.36	61.71	63.83	71.53	77.60	84.92	93.14	117.27
April 1969	S		σ	(deg)	68.59	84.04	99.71	130.93	170.17	194,96	207.52	220.45	233.85	247.66	261.67	275.55	314,78	326.31	337.43	359,19	22.04	48.12	62.82	78.49	94.61	166.15
•	CONDITIONS	TRIC	N.	(deg)	359.61	358.94	356.71	3,85	1.01	0.58	0.41	0.21	359.97	359.63	359.10	357.92	3.64	2.11	1.49	0.87	0.51	0.09	359.79	359.27	357.97	1.03
NEAR COPLANAR SOLUTION TIME OF SURVEY: March	DEPARTURE	GEOCENTRIC	Λα _⊕ Ν	(deg)	-0.7	-1.4	-3.6	3.5	0.7	0,3	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.7	-1.2	-2.4	3.3	1.7	1.2	9.0	0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-1.0	-2.3	0.7
NEAR CO	Ω		Ď	(deg)	26.66	28.18	27.65	23.22	5.78	-7.62	-13.79	-19.17	-23.49	-26.51	-28.07	-28.06	-22.05	-17.47	-12.38	-0.90	11.18	21.80	25.61	27.85	28.11	7.87
			λs	(deg)	180.36	179.95	180.14	180.79	183.84	186.59	188.08	189.44	190.74	191.82	192.77	193.31	192.43	191.43	190.07	186.25	182.85	180.05	179.33	179.11	179.33	184.57
			V _S	(m/s)	2531.69	2535.50	2524.01	2532.95	2521.09	2517,65	2516.96	2523.18	2528.55	2537,32	2540.80	2548.92	2571.94	2572.68	2570.27	2580.42	2557.20	2544.17	2534.37	2524.88	2519.77	2546.16
		TRIC	18	(m/s)	0.23	1.28	2.62	5.76	6.85	5,70	4.57	3.17	1.59	0.07	1.61	3.02	6.47	6.88	6.99	6.42	4.90	2.39	0.93	0.64	2.13	78.9
$t_{po} \approx 28.3$ $t_{M} \approx 28.7$	4S	SELENOCENTRIC	οB	(deg)	270.18	269.00	268.15	266.16	265.19	265,84	266.67	267.73	268.77	269.98	271.18	272.13	274.73	274.70	274.88	274.77	273.27	271.70	270.55	269.53	268.53	264.85
1 Po	L CONDITIONS		8,8	(deg)	0.16	-0.80	-1.85	-4.30	-4.87	-3.89	-3.15	-2.21	-1.02	-0.09	1.11	2.13	4.42	5.02	5.01	4.30	3.65	1.68	0.75	-0.44	-1.53	-4.53
	ARRIVAL		hs	(km)	186.64	170.57	185.34	158.21	175.35	185.85	192.26	187.90	187.74	183.31	190.75	189.82	180.45	183.71	188.60	156.30	176.06	172.65	178.35	185.17	185.80	127.96
			Tine	(DD, HR, MM)	19 52	19 50	19 41	20 07	18 24	18 22	18 21	18 19	18 18	18 16	18 13	18 08	18 27	18 20	18 17	18 13	18 10	18 07	18 06	18 04	17 59	16 37
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159.4		Q, T, D)	Æ	(km)	373,915	372,133	370,776	369,413	372,004	377,745	381,691	386,083	390,621	394,966	398,780	401,757	403,683	401,773	398,733	390,245	380,769	373,048	370,466	368,866	368,216	374,709
Ω _M ≈ -359.4		LUNAR POSITION (EQ	₩ _Q	(deg)	-20.52	-24.79	-27.62	-27.88	-16.05	-3.51	2.99	9.21	14.91	19,86	23,85	26.72	27.64	25.36	21.92	12.18	-0.08	-12.89	-18.66	-23.47	-26.88	-17.89.
		LUNAR PC	ð₹	(deg)	223.43	237.81	253.06	285.46	328.68	353.91	5.80	17.56	29.42	41.57	54.12	67.08	107.46	120.48	133.10	157.14	180.49	205.05	218.43	232.81	248.14	324.17

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1969		- (,	Ω	(deg)	116.42	112.87	106.44	94.44	77.53	66.37	61.88	61.87	63.22	65.91	70.07	85.12	92.74	99.86	106.21	115.29	118.29	117.22	114.25	108,70	79.96
JTION March-April 1969	NS		α	(deg)	61.44	78.19	97.61	133.21	163.72	189.36	214.51	227.85	241.96	256.88	272.46	317.13	330,25	342.17	353,31	15.42	40.57	55.38	71.99	91.48	159.52
3	DEPARTURE CONDITIONS	GEOCENTRIC	α	(deg)	261,59	293.08	330.93	33.80	100.84	157.10	208.35	233,85	260.05	287.40	316,44	36.78	90.99	93.36	119,41	169.72	221.91	250.58	281.91	318.90	91.12
OUT-OF-PLANE SOI TIME OF SURVEY:	PARTURE	GEOC	Vα. No.	(deg)	261.3	292.8	330*6	33.5	100.5	156.8	208.0	233.5	259.7	287.1	316.1	36.5	65.8	93.0	119.1	167.4	221.6	250.3	281.6	318.6	90.8
OUT.	D		, Ø.	(deg)	10,50	17,11	23,33	27.94	25.58	16.03	3,31	-3.22	-9.499	-15.28	-20,48	-27.88	-28.15	-26.63	-23.50	-13.14	0.72	8.03	15.03	21.60	26.56
	1		s,	(deg)	181.31	180.70	180.02	181.09	183.73	186.95	189.93	191.17	192.19	192.94	193.38	192,40	191.26	189.77	188.08	184.64	181.42	181.80	179.87	179.49	184.57
			ŊŠ	(m/s)	2558.46	2541.488	2543.39	2521.86	2541.18	2557.52	2558,45	2557.15	2555.80	2555.14	2555.36	2572.53	2582.56	2590.73	2594.64	2594.67	2586.94	2493.98	2544.23	2532.81	2534.94
			is	(s/m)	86.9	3.87	05.0	8.17	13.26	13.82	11.21	9.04	0,40	3.37	0.24	8.72	10.87	12.23	12.92	12.78	10.25	8.09	5.22	1.11	12.74
28.3 28.7		ENTRIC	os,	(deg)	274.84	272,46	269.71	264.20	260.77	260,41	262.03	263.58	265.53	267.78	269.87	276.28	277.63	278.66	279.23	278.48	277.27	276.13	273.68	270.90	260.92
$i_{po} \approx 28$	CONDITIONS	SELENOCENTRIC	SØ.	(deg)	5.03	2.98	05.0-	-5.76	-9.56	-10.01-	-7.91	-6.38	-4.59	-2.53	0.20	90.9	7.77	8.67	80.6	09.6	7.25	5.29	3.71	.0.64	-8.98
	ARRIVAL COND		hs	(km)	181.78	184.41	153.88	185.28	182.52	179.50	184.73	185.29	184.84	184.10	184.96	186.23	184.15	183,13	185,15	182,31	161.99	320.90	182.05	171.50	184.39
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9.4		70. T. D)	Æ	(km)	374,575	372,516	370,854	369,403	370,815	375,918	384,310	389,131	393,872	398,119	401,481	403,566	401,337	397,857	393,434	383,354	374,427	371,257	369,197	368,242	373,119
ბ, 6359.4		POSITION (EQ.	ωg	(deg)	-18.91	-23.90	-27.48	-27.73	-19.74	-6.95	6.80	13.11	18.66	23.18	26.47	27.49	24.86	20.93	15.92	3.51	-10.25	-16.74	-22.31	-26.61	-21.42
		LUNAR PO	$\alpha_{\mathbf{M}}$	(deg)	219.04	234.32	252.00	286.71	319,43	347.48	12.90	25.49	38.37	51.73	65.65	108.61	122.62	136.07	148.98	173.93	199,63	213.65	228.88	246.53	314.54





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TABLE 11

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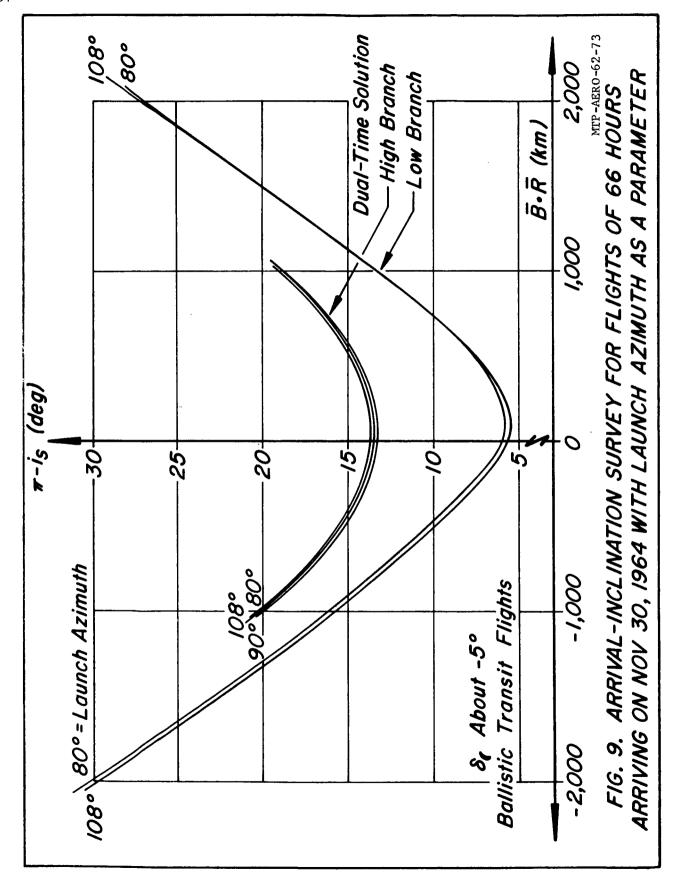
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			Ω	(deg)	113.72	115.03	116.51	117.69	119.37	114.76	107.02	101.92	97.11	94.31	95.36	98.98	103.91	108.62	112.53	115.43	118.20	119.49	113.31	114.47	115.98	117.31
Nov-Dec 1964	TIONS	9	ಶ	(deg)	138.60	150.95	162.73	174.19	197.14	221.99	250.83	266.98	283.95	301,29	318,41	334.60	349.39	2.91	15.57	27.77	52.28	65.12	120.71	146.75	158.70	170.12
- 1	DEPARTURE CONDITIONS	GEOCENTRIC	α	(deg)	350.52	357.72	2.36	5.59	10.18	14.08	18.98	22.82	29.10	40.42	59,32	83.83	109.88	135.28	159.50	182.71	227.66	250.06	334.09	355.83	1.16	4.74
OF SURVEY:	DEPART		γα	(deg)	337.9	345.1	349.8	353.0	357.4	1.8	6.4	10.2	16.5	27.8	46.7	71.2	97.3	122.7	146.9	170.1	215.1	237.5	321.5	343.2	348.6	352.1
TIME			, Ø	(deg)	15.88	13.63	10.24	6.07	-3.73	-14.14	-22.93	-25.83	-27.43	-27.96	-27,83	-26.92	-24.87	-21.68	-17.58	-12.84	-2.48	2,66	16.49	14.06	11.62	7.72
			<	(deg)	190.51	189,13	187,62	185.82	181.96	178.21	176.09	176.07	176.00	176,77	178.58	180.71	183.05	185.57	188.00	190.12	193.17	194.00	192.98	190.35	188.88	187.33
			A	(m/s)	2574.12	2573,70	2566.11	2561.26	2543.38	2532,38	2508.96	2487.66	2506.89	2516,51	2505,68	2510.88	2526.26	2537.27	2547.40	2556.89	2567.69	2572.38	2557.93	2571.42	2571.47	2566.52
				(deg)	2.81	96.0	0.64	2.07	4.40	5.80	5.91	5.30	4.10	2,10	0.76	3.97	6.93	9.37	11.25	12.55	13,36	12.91	5.59	1.50	0.21	1.77
24.6°		SELENOCENTRIC	9	(deg)	271.97	270,72	269.56	268.50	266.88	265.94	265.90	266.17	267.16	268,47	270,47	272.77	274.96	276.71	277.91	278.80	279,46	278.84	274.21	271.13	269.83	268.92
l _M ≈	TIONS	SELEN	0,1	(deg)	2.01	0.67	-0.46	-1.43	-3.10	-4.14	-4.26	-3.66	-2.96	-1.43	09.0	2.85	78.7	6.55	8.03	86.8	24.6	6.44	3.67	86.0	-0.12	-1.41
	ARRIVAL CONDITIONS		٩	(<u>F</u>	185.33	187,78	201.21	205.31	218.02	206.63	218.66	246.23	196,48	171.35			182,44	181.84	182.49	182.04	186.09	183.29	217.82	195.58	195.78	203.15
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5.5°		3, T, D)	2	(ka)	404,703	402,738	399,548	395,217	384,003	371,892	362,741	360,365	359,775	360.984	363.837	367.979	372,905	378,121	383,242	388,013	396,029	399,213	406,198	405,335	403,489	400,602
$\Omega_{\rm M} \approx -275.5^{\circ}$		POSITION (EQ.	<u> </u>	(deg)	-24.20	-22.72	-20.20	-16,73	-7.47	3.78	14.92	19.49	22.80	24.46	24.24	22.18	18.59	13.94	8.65	3.06	-7.93	-12.89	-24.43	-23.45	-21.31	-18.23
		LUNAR PO	;	(deg)	293.10	306.18	318.96	331,44	355.90	20.86	48.18	63.23	79.25	96.03	113.09	129.73	145.36	159.81	173.24	185.94	210.36	222.62	274.96	301.56	314.37	326.80

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		ε	(geb)	85.83	82.34	77.86	65.38	61.79	63.43	65.67	67.42	67.22	65.41	63.43	62.10	61.70	62.30	66.37	73.68	87.50	86.83	79.77	75.16
: 1964		č	(deg)	144.26	156.93	169.02	203.72	229.54	260.91	278.64	296.68	313.83	329.57	344.00	357.40	10.11	22.41	46.88	72.40	126.32	139.69	164.89	176.53
ICH-LOW, II F SURVEY: Nov-Dec 1964	GEOCENTRIC	-	(deg)	63.10	83.28	105.37	175.22	225.16	280.26	308.26	332,55	349.03	358.17	3.31	6.62	9.04	11.03	14.62	18.77	41.59	56.38	16.96	119.26
HIGH-LOW, OF SURVEY:	GEG		(deg)	50.5	7.07	92.8	162.6	212.6	267.7	295.7	321.0	336.4	345.6	350.6	354.0	356.4	358.4	2.0	6.2	29.0	43.8	84.3	106.7
ID: HJ			ø' (deg)	27.98	27.30	25.73	14.41	2,35	-10.11	-14.89	-17.50	-17.23	-14.44	-10.10	-4.93	0.57	6.06	16.03	23.42	28.17	28.10	26.50	24.35
-			λs (deg)	189 75	187.94	186.46	180,34	177.55	176.47	176.69	177.42	178.78	180.76	182.87	185.27	187.61	189.54	191.16	194.09	192.18	190.76	187.53	185.73
			Vs (m/s)	25.68 79	2585.61	2570.14	2589.05	2571.92	2540.31	2521.45	2510.99	2507.48	2502.01	2508.60	2506.86	2506.27	2511.98	2607.84	2531.08	2558.61	2574.17	2590.00	2595.27
į			is (deg)	2 07	4.48	6.78	12.04	13.65	12.47	10.44	7.73	5.04	2.63	97.0	1.52	3.22	4.58	6.07	5.93	96.0	1.23	6.01	8.16
28.3° 24.6°	FNTRIC		σs (deg)	268 50	266.87	265.18	261.41	260.37	261.28	262.66	264.45	266,32	268.13	269.75	271.07	272.30	273.23	274.31	274.20	270.70	269.12	265.68	264.15
° od¹ od¹ ¥i	ND LT IONS		Øs (deg)	1.5	-3.20	-4.77	-8.47	-9.72	-8.95	-7.44	-5.38	-3,43	-1.84	-0.39	1.09	2.26	3.24	4.27	4.18	0.69	-0.87	-4.18	-5.69
]	읭		hs (km)	300	• 1				183.58	189.58	187.28				187.53	199.07	191.53				194.53	184.48	182.29
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Ω _M ≈ -275.5°		POSITION (EX	S _M (deg)		22 11	10 16	7, 83	7.31	18 38	22.24	2/, 31	27 76	27 75	10 65	15 50	10.66	1	1 2	CT C-	27, 56	-2/, 37	-20 45	-16.91
		LUNAK PO	(deg)		296.37	303 10	1 01	78.87	50 15	75.86	03 13	110 13	126 21	17.1 7.0	155 38	168 30	100 66	20,00	204.00	25.777	201 55	318 27	331 18

B. THE INFLUENCE OF LAUNCH AZIMUTH VARIATIONS

Consider Figure 9 as basis for drawing the conclusion that launch azimuth variations have a negligible influence upon the minimum attainable inclinations. In a sense this variation had been studied previously under the OUT-OF-PLANE TRANSIT CASES, in which it was found that the day-to-day minima inclinations did not change significantly (less than 1°).



EARTH-MOON TRANSIT STUDIES BASED ON EPHEMERIS DATA AND USING BEST AVAILABLE COMPUTER PROGRAM

PART I: PERISELENUM CONDITIONS AS FUNCTION OF INJECTION CONDITIONS

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